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SUBJECT: DEMARCHE ON RWANDA RESOLUTION

REF A) USUN 1187; B) STATE 83633

- 1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT.
- 2. THIS IS AN ACTION REQUEST.

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3. EMBASSY IS INSTRUCTED TO MAKE A DEMARCHE TO THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT EARLY TUESDAY MORNING TO ENLIST FRENCH SUPPORT FOR EXTENDING THE MANDATE OF THE UNITED NATIONS ASSISTANCE MISSION FOR RWANDA (UNAMIR) FOR A SHORTER LENGTH OF TIME	UNCLASSIFIED	B 1
THE VOTE ON THE RESOLUTION WILL BE HELD ON TUESDAY AFTERNOON IN NEW YORK. TALKING POINTS FOR THE DEMARCHE FOLLOW BELOW.		
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--DESPITE THE SECRETARY GENERAL'S RECOMMENDATION FOR A 6 CONFIDENTIAL

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MONTH EXTENSION, WE FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT A 2 OR POSSIBLY 3

MONTH EXTENSION WOULD PROVIDE AN INCENTIVE TO THE PARTIES

TO RESOLVE THE FINAL ISSUE, INSTALL THE TRANSITION

INSTITUTIONS, AND GET ON WITH THE PROCESS OF IMPLEMENTING

THE ARUSHA PEACE ACCORDS AND REBUILDING THEIR COUNTRY.

--WE UNDERSTAND THAT THE SECRETARY GENERAL IS NOW ADVOCATING A 6 MONTH EXTENSION OF ALL PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS WHICH COME UP FOR RENEWAL IN ORDER TO FACILITATE LOGISTICAL ARRANGEMENTS; WHILE WE AGREE IN PRINCIPLE, WE FEEL THAT IN THE CASE OF UNAMIR, A SHORTER TIME FRAME WOULD PUT MORE PRESSURE ON THE PARTIES TO REACH AGREEMENT.

--THE UNITED NATIONS HAS BEEN A FIRM SUPPORTER OF THE PEACE PROCESS IN RWANDA, AND WE NOTE THAT THE PARTIES ARE CLOSE TO REACHING AGREEMENT ON THE COMPOSITION OF A TRANSITION GOVERNMENT; NEVERTHELESS, THERE HAVE BEEN LONG DELAYS AND WE MUST SEND A STRONG POLITICAL SIGNAL THAT FURTHER DELAYS ARE NOT ACCEPTABLE. TALBOTT

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